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Adro Luis Diaz Lanz
ANTI- FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES. IS DASH CUBA REURTEL OCT. TWENTY
FOUR LAST CONCERNING DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR IDENTITY, AVAILABILITY
AND WILLINGNESS OF PCI CHARLES WILLIAM HORMEL TO TESTIFY TO DATA
HE FURNISHED OCT. TWO TWO LAST , RE FLIGHT OF PEDRO LUIS DIAZ LANZ.
HORMEL SUBJECT MM FILE TWO DASH ONE NINE EIGHT, BU FILE ONE ZERO FIVE
DASH SIX NINE SIX FOUR EIGHT. HORMEL, PILOT, RESIDES SEVEN EIGHT FIVE
ZERO SOUTHWEST TWENTY THREE STREET, MIAMI, FLA., BORN FEB. FIVE,
ONE NINE ONE FOUR, DAYTON, OHIO, IS SOLDIER OF FORTUNE WHO ADMITTED
SOME TWENTY EIGHT TRIPS TO CUBA WITH ARMS AND AMMUNITION FOR ANTI-
BATISTA REBELS. HORMEL INDICTED U. S. DISTRICT COURT, JACKSONVILLE,
FLA, SEPT. ONE SEVEN LAST ON CHARGE ILLEGALLY TRANSPORTING ARMS FROM
U. S. HORMEL HAS FBI IDENTIFICATION RECORD THREE THREE ZERO NINE TWO
TWO REFLECTING NUMEROUS ARRESTS DATING TO YEAR ONE NINE THREE ZERO.
HORMEL INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS TODAY AND STATES
AVAILABLE TO TESTIFY, HOWEVER HAS ONLY HEARSAY INFORMATION RE PEDRO
DIAZ LANZ FLYING B DASH TWENTY FIVE AIRCRAFT, REGISTRATION NINE
EIGHT SEVEN SIX C FROM POMPANO BEACH, FLA., OCT. TWENTY ONE LAST.
STATED TWO UNIDENTIFIED WATCHMEN POMPANO BEACH AIRFIELD ADVISED HIM
AFTER ELEVEN TWENTY PM, OCT. TWENTY ONE LAST , WHEN HORMEL LANDED
THERE, QUOTE PEDRO DIAZ UNQUOTE HAD TAKEN OFF IN ABOVE IDENTIFIED

DASH TWENTY FIVE ABOUT FIVE PM, OCT. TWENTY ONE LAST, AND
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RETURNED ABOUT NINE PM SAME DATE. HORMEL STATED WATCHMEN MADE NO STATEMENT RE ANYONE BEING WITH DIAZ OR IF THEY SAW ANYTHING LOADED IN B DASH TWENTY FIVE. HORMEL ADVISED PERSONALLY CHECKED REGISTRATION OF B DASH TWENTY FIVE, CHECKED PLANE FOR BULLET HOLES, FINDING NONE. STATED PLANE PAINTED GRAY WITH REGISTRATION NUMBER PAINTED ON FUSELAGE RATHER THAN WINGS. HORMEL STATED WATCHMEN ADVISED DIAZ MAKES QUOTE FREQUENT TRIPS UNQUOTE IN B DASH TWENTY FIVE, RETURNING POMPANO BEACH IN THREE OR FOUR HOURS. WATCHMEN REPORTEDLY ADVISED HORMEL DIAZ HAS THREE ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT, SPECIFICALLY, C DASH FORTY SIX, DC DASH THREE AND PBY, BUT FURNISHED NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THESE AIRCRAFT. HORMEL ADMITS PERSONAL ENMITY TOWARD DIAZ LANZ RESULTING FROM DIAZ CONFISCATING HORMEL-S NAVION AIRCRAFT, REPORTEDLY ORDERING ARREST HORMEL AND FORBIDDING HORMEL FLY IN CUBA, ALL DURING JAN.-FEB., LAST. HORMEL ADMITS THREE FIST FIGHTS WITH DIAZ LANZ CONCERNING ABOVE.

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